(h) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU) : (a) Total investment of Rs. 2755.39 crores has been made by ONGC in the Neelam Oil Field development upto 31.3.1996.

(b) Plateau oil production from Neelam field, envisaged in the June, 1993 was 4.5 MMTPA for five years from year 1995-96 onwards.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. The crude oil production during 1994-95 and 1995-96 was 3.808 MMT and 3.528 respectively.

(e) and (h) There is no such proposal presently under the consideration of the Government.

Dwelling Units.

3905. SHRI ANNASAHIB M.K. PATIL : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the number of dwelling unit constructed and handed over to the urban poor during the last 3 years under Central sector schemes and expenditure incurred thereon, State-wise and year-wise;

(b) the total provision of funds under Central sector schemes of housing for urban poor for the current year with State-wise targets;

(c) whether a critical review of implementation of housing for urban poor has recently been undertaken at the apex level for effecting suitable restructuring/ reorientation of schemes; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) and (b) There is no Central Sector Scheme for construction of new dwelling units for urban poor. However, under the Scheme of Employment through Housing & Shelter Upgradation under the Centrally sponsored schemes of Nehru Rozgar Yojana (NRY) and Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme (PMI UPEP), Central subsidy is available to the States for renovation/repairing of the units belonging to the households below the Urban poverty line.

While there is no provision in the current year for shelter upgradation under Nehru Rozgar Yojana, an amount of Rs. 70.60 crore has been provided for In Prime Minister's Integrated urban Poverty Eradication Programme of which Shelter Upgradation is one of the components.

(c) and (d) The Working Group on Urban Housing for Ninth-Five Year Plan has reviewed the requirement of urban housing and has estimated that the requirement of EWS and Lower Income Group housing would come to 15.02 million units during the Five Year Plan period 1997-98 to 2001-2002. Restructuring/reorientation of urban housing schemes will depend on the finalisation of the Ninth-Five Year Plan.

[Translation]

Rural Electrification in U.P.

3906. DR. RAMVILAS VEDANTI :
SHRI RAM SHAKAL :
SHRI SOHANVEER SINGH :
DR. AMRIT LAL BHARTI :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Rural Electrification Corporation has chalked out any programme to identify those villages which have not been electrified in Uttar Pradesh so far;

(b) if so, the number and details thereof;

(c) whether any time bound scheme have been proposed to electrify these villages;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the time by which these villages are likely to be electrified ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI) : (a) and (b) As per the available information, 25250 villages in Uttar Pradesh remain to be electrified as on January, 1997.

(c) to (f) Rural Electrification Programme is a continuous process. Funds for the programme are annually allocated by the Planning Commission in consultation with the State Governments/State Electricity Boards for the state as a whole. The balance unelectrified villages of the State are likely to be electrified during the 9th and subsequent plan periods depending upon the availability of resources and other inputs.

[English]

Deep Sea Fishing

3907. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN :
SHRI GOPAL TENDEL :

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) the number of foreign fishing vessels granted licences for deep sea fishing during 1994-95, 1995-96 and 1996-97 till date; and

(b) the details of vessels at present operating in India's Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) and when their permits are likely to be expired ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI DILIP KUMAR RAY) : (a) Permits for Chartering and Leasing of foreign fishing vessels were granted to Indian companies. Number of such foreign fishing vessels permitted yearwise is as follows :-

year	Charter	Lease
1994-95	34	20
1995-96	9	25
1996-97	Nil	Nil

(b) At present there are two foreign fishing vessels operating under Charter and ten such vessels operating under Leasing. Permits of vessels under charter will expire on 9.4.1997 and last of the permits for leasing will expire in the year 2000 A.D.

Resources Mobilisation by State

3908. PROF. OMPAL SINGH 'NIDAR' : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether most of the State Governments have not mobilised the desired quantum of resources during the Eighth Plan resulting in stoppage of various development works and increase in financial burden on Union Government; and

(b) if so, the action, proposed to be taken by the Government against the States which have not mobilised the resources ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH) : (a) The outlay for Eighth Five Year Plan (1992-97) was fixed at Rs. 175,485 crore at 1991-92 prices which was to be funded through States Own Resources of Rs. 95,954 crore and Central assistance of Rs. 79,531 crore. As against this the anticipated resources mobilised works out to Rs. 138,658 crore at 1991-92 prices which includes States. Own resources of Rs. 69.679 crore and central assistance of Rs. 68,9799 crore. Thus the States are expected to realise about 79% of the approved Eighth Plan. Several states could not realise the committed resources shortfalls have been mainly in the balance from current revenues and net contributions from State public enterprises. Under Central assistance the main shortfall occurred in the utilisation of external assistance. However, shortfalls in resources mobilisation do not increase the financial burden of the Central Government.

(b) the States resources/Plan Expenditure is reviewed every year in the Annual Plan discussions at various levels (including at the level of Dy. Chairman and Chief Ministers/Governors). In case of shortfalls in resource mobilisation against the commitments made, the State have been advised from time to time, to take effective steps for mobilising the resources, improve the working of State level public enterprises and effect economy in non-plan revenue expenditure, improve collections of small savings, etc. to avoid shortfalls in plan expenditure.

Bay Exploration Project

3909. SHRI V. PRADEEP DEV : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Oil India is planning to wind up Bay Exploration Project (BEP) located in Orissa and if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) the total amount invested by Oil India Ltd. on this project; and

(c) whether the Government propose to reconsider the issue in view of short-term permission given by the defence authorities for drilling in the area ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU) : (a) Yes, Sir. OIL was granted Petroleum Exploration Licence in 1978, 1981 and 1983 for Mahanadi Offshore, Orissa (Mahanadi) Onshore and North-East Coast Offshore areas respectively.

A total of 15 exploratory wells, i.e. 4 in Mahanadi Onshore, 7 in Mahanadi Offshore and 4 in North-East Coast Offshore have been drilled without any success. The areas in Mahanadi Offshore and Mahanadi Onshore were surrendered by OIL in 1986 and 1988 respectively. However, an area of 6100 Sq. K.M. was kept in the North-East Coast Offshore and OIL planned to drill one 5,000 m. deep exploratory well in this area during 1996. As per OIL, the drilling of this well could not be achieved due to following reasons :-

(i) The apparent inefficiency observed on the part of the drilling contractor to take up drilling operations of this complicated well. Also there was delay in mobilisation of the drillship as per the contractual obligation.

(ii) The area was falling within the restricted area of Ministry of Defence and approval for drilling operation was available only upto 31.12.1996.

(iii) There was no other drilling location available in the North East Coast Offshore area.

(b) Oil India Ltd. has so far incurred an expenditure of approximately Rs. 260 crores in its exploration activities in the Bay Exploration Project.

(c) The stated timeframe was not sufficient to complete drilling of the well.